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See You In Chicago!

The ANA hopes to see you at the World's Fair of Money, August 16-20 in Chicago. Booths in the Club Midway are available to club members for \$150, and may be shared between two clubs. Clubs will now have from 7 to 9 a.m. on August 16 to prepare their booths. Specially colored badges will be provided for members who are assisting in set-up.

Clubs can also reserve up to two hours of complimentary meeting room space, subject to room availability. You do not have to purchase a booth for meeting space. To reserve a booth or meeting space at the Chicago World's Fair of Money or for more information, call 719-482-9839 or visit www.WORLDSFAIROFMONEY.com.

Money Museum Rarities on Display

The ANA thanks the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists for its hard work for the ANA Pittsburgh National Money Show, Oct. 13-15. Two of the ANA Edward C. Rochette Money Museum's most spectacular rarities, the Idler/Bebee 1804 dollar and the McDermott/Bebee 1913 Liberty Head nickel, were displayed at the PAN Spring Show, May 6-8.

The ANA will exhibit specimens of its Bebee Collection of United States Paper Money at the Memphis International Paper Money Show, June 10-12.

**Enroll Your Club in the Numismatic
Diploma Program**

Get your club a well-rounded education in numismatics through an exciting series of courses and examinations.

The ANA's Numismatic Diploma Program is available to member clubs for \$399 (books and other materials for the 6 courses, plus one member's tuition), and every other club member receives tuition for \$100. A 200-question final exam, covering all program topics, will be administered after completion of requirements. Two of the program's courses, "Modern Minting Process" and "Errors & Varieties," have just been re-released in a new attractive textbook.

2011 Summer Seminar: Don't Miss Out!

Summer Seminar remains the best educational experience in numismatics. See the 1st Quarter 2011 *MintMark* or the ANA website for a summary of exciting new courses and events this year. (Among the events are a talent show and a series of roundtable discussions on Sunday nights.)



Photo: The ANA Money Museum's new exhibit at the Colorado Springs airport. Be sure to check it out when you fly in for 2011 Summer Seminar!

Thank you, Sacramento NMS

Reported by John and Nancy Wilson, Ocala, FL

The ANA National Money Show (NMS) was held on March 17-19, 2011 at the Sacramento Convention Center. It was another successful coin show that had a lot going on for everyone who attended. Public attendance and dealer business seemed pretty steady. ANA was in Sacramento in 1999, and this time around it appeared the area had improved with more hotels, restaurants and things to do.

A lot of people did a great job in preparing and running this NMS. Thanks to General Chairman Jeff Shevlin and his committee, along with the host Sacramento Valley Coin Club; the ANA National Volunteers; Executive Director Larry Shepherd and his staff; Convention Director Rhonda Scurek; President Cliff Mishler and the Board; ANA Museum Showcase; the Official Program and Mementos; the exhibitors, judges, speakers and scout clinic instructors; YN Programs, Treasure Trivia and Kids Zone; Kickoff Dinner and Wine Tasting tour, SVCC Dinner on the Delta King (Riverboat) and Mining and Minting in Carson City Seminar; publicity and security personnel; U.S. Mint, Post Office (and Special Cancellation) and FedEx; Numismatic News, Coin World and COINage; coin club tables; Heritage Auction Galleries; the dealers with tables; the visitors; and all the sponsors - who helped to make this NMS the huge success it was. Thank you all, and see you at the World's Fair of Money in Chicago on August 16-20, 2011.

In Memoriam — Bill Snider

Reported by John and Nancy Wilson, Ocala, FL

We were notified on March 3 by our good friend Mark Lighterman, who received notification regarding the passing of Bill Snider. What a great loss for all of us. Bill was one of the best known collectors of wooden money who ever lived. He was President of the Dedicated Wooden Money Club and served them in some capacity for many years. His life evolved around the hobby and his many friends. He traveled from one coast to another to attend meetings or to a coin show that had tables promoting wooden money.

He was a mainstay at just about every ANA convention that we can remember. Any larger show in the Midwest would also have Bill in attendance. He was always the first one to the wooden money meeting and the last one to leave. He always wore his shirt "I Collect Wooden Nickels." You could always find Bill at the Wooden Money table promoting the collecting of woods. He was friendly and cordial to everyone he met. His passing will leave a big void in the Wooden Money organizations he belonged to, especially the DWMC. This is a great shock to us and we will dearly miss our

good friend Bill. Rest in peace Bill as your memory will always be with us. Our sincere sympathies to his family.

Updated Club Information Needed

The ANA's goal for 2011 is to have all clubs listed in the online [Club Directory](#). To achieve this goal, every club's up-to-date information is needed. To obtain a club information form, call 719-482-9870 or visit [www.money.org](#).

Use Your Library: It's as Easy as 1, 2, 3!

Once you've started an online account, using the ANA Dwight N. Manley Library is simple. 1) Call or e-mail your request, or order from the online catalog. 2) We'll send it to you and charge shipping costs to your credit card. 3) Enjoy the books for 6-12 weeks then ship them back. It's that easy! Call 719-482-9821 to enroll, or sign up online.



Coinage of the Olympiads is one of 10 ANA [Small Traveling Exhibits](#) for clubs. To reserve an exhibit for your club, call 719-482-9828 or e-mail museum@money.org.

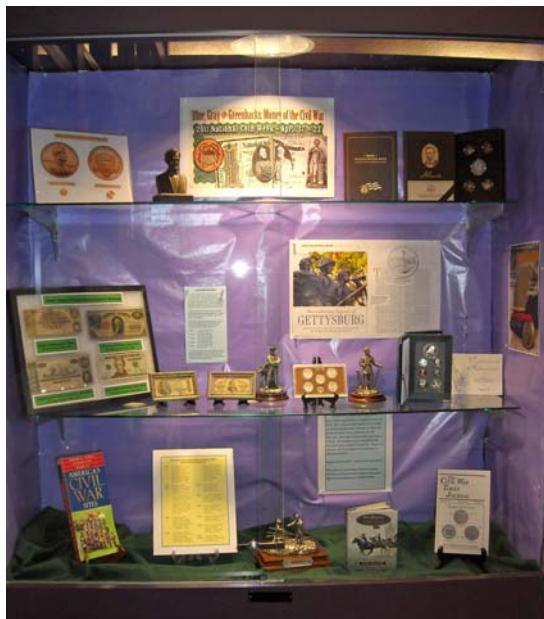
News from Around the Country

Region 4 AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC and TN

Tony Swicer produces an “ANA Region 4 Newsletter” that summarizes the activities of a number of coin clubs in these seven southeastern states. For more information or to receive a copy of the newsletter, contact Tony at PO Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466, or e-mail Swicer@comcast.net.

Alabama

Madison County Coin Club by Richard Jozefiak



“Blue, Gray & Greenbacks: Money of the Civil War” was the title of the Civil War Exhibit shown at the Madison Public Library during the month of April 2011. The exhibit showed some types of paper money used in Madison County during the Civil War, along with modern coins that commemorate this great historical event that happened 150 years ago.

This exhibit was sponsored by the Madison County Coin Club to celebrate National Coin Week (April 17-23). The MCCC (<http://mccc.anaclubs.org/>) is the largest coin club in the Tennessee Valley. The coin club meets at The Huntsville Senior Center (2200 Drake Ave., SW, Huntsville, AL) on the fourth Monday of every month, except May and December. All meetings begin at 6:30 pm and are free and open to the public.

Florida

FUN Show by Tony Swicer, FUN President and ANA Region 4 Coordinator

The 56th annual Florida United Numismatists (FUN) show, January 6-9, 2011 in Tampa, is now history. We had 585 tables, a new record. There were 219 early bird dealers, 1,559 dealers, and 789 went through photo ID. The public attendance was estimated at 9,600. The Young Numismatist program had 50 and the scout merit badge program had 123. Four coin club buses brought in 141 club members on Saturday. Sales at the Heritage Auction were estimated at \$53 million.

During the opening ceremonies, FUN President Bob Hurst presented FUN Presidential Awards to Bob Brueggeman of Positive Protection, VP Tony Swicer and Board member Tony Bonaro. The Polly Abbott Service Award was presented to Cindy Wibker. The ANA Presidential Award was presented to Jim and Carrie Best by ANA VP Tom Hallenbeck.

FUN membership before the show was about 3,800, with an expected 300-400 new members during the show. The exhibit area had 28 exhibitors from 15 states and Canada. 87 cases were used to exhibit. Best of Show was won by Mack Martin for “Baby Bonds.” The Peoples Choice Award was won by Michael Morrissey for “Tales of a Short Snorter.”

The FUN election results were President - Tony Swicer, VP - Donna Moon, Treasurer - Carrie Best, Secretary - Nancy Casey; Board members Cindy Wibker, Bob Hurst, Gary Overton, Jim Best, Steve Hodges and Ed Abbott. They all serve a two year term.

Most of the 18 educational seminars were very well attended. My program on “Scams, Rip-Offs and Raw Deals to Avoid” had over 60 attendees. Richard Spencer, portraying Ben Franklin, won the ANA Summer Seminar Scholarship. The Charlie Fine Award went to Steve Bieda for his article, “The Controversial Coins from the Land of Fire and Ice,” the 1930 Millennium of the Althing Commemoratives of the Kingdom of Iceland.

The convention center in south downtown Tampa was exceptional. It was right on the water with two major hotels across the street (Marriot and Embassy Suites). Food in the convention center was reasonable. Most dealers said that sales at the show were very good. The 1943 PDS copper cents were on display. The only GSA 1889-CC dollar was available for \$250,000. BU Morgan dollars were hot as well as VF or better type coins. Paper money sold well and I sold many early commemorative fifty cent coins at just back of bid. All of the major grading services were there. Randy Campbell from ICG said it was the busiest show he has ever had, taking in hundreds of coin submissions and giving free verbal grades on coins.

FUN is back in Orlando in 2012 and 2013, but who knows, Tampa could be in the picture again.

Brandon Coin Club by President Sid D.

The first meeting of 2011 was well attended. If attendance continues at this rate, we'll certainly need a larger location for our meetings. We had some visitors with YNs and also signed two new members – welcome Matt and Steve. Par for the course (a golf pun!), all went well and I need to find a stronger voice! For more information on the Brandon Coin Club, see www.brandoncoinclub.com.

The club's next coin shows will be held June 25, August 27 and October 22, 2011 at the Brandon Elks Lodge in Brandon, FL. For more information, contact Mark Palermo, Bourse Chairman, 813-361-0740, brandoncoinclub@tampabay.rr.com, or by mail at Brandon Coin Club, PO Box 1987, Seffner, FL 33583-1987.

Ocala Coin Club by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

We would like to thank the Ocala Coin Club for providing a table for the American Numismatic Association at their 28th Annual Coin Show held at the Ramada Convention Center, in Ocala, FL, on February 4-6, 2011. The show had over 1,100 people register for the event, and at times it was hard to move around the crowded aisles. The 57 table holders all appeared to have a great show. The event was highly successful. We were able to sign up close to ten new members for the Association. We also want to thank William Lane from Gray, GA for the \$25 donation that paid for the show kit to be sent for the convention. Thanks again, and we look forward to next year's show.

Nebraska

As reported by the Nebraska Numismatic Association, the Wahoo Coin Club celebrates their 50th Anniversary this year. In 1961 five men started the club: Hans and Lee Andresen, Gus Andresen, Walt Carlstrom and Evald Brodd. Lee Andresen was chosen to be the club's first President. Now in 2011, the same Lee Andresen, an active Wahoo Coin Club member, will once again be the club's

President during the club's 50th Anniversary! Can any other coin club in Nebraska or the United States match this accomplishment? (The editor doubts it!) Photo: Bob Sloup hands the gavel to Lee Andresen.

New Jersey by Jim Majoros, ANA District Rep.

In order to increase the numismatic education of club members, the Garden State Numismatic Association (GSNA) has offered its member clubs matching funds, up to \$400, to cover half the cost of electronic audiovisual and computer equipment such as laptops, projectors, video cameras and tripods.

The Ocean County Coin Club is now represented in the Brick Township Hospital. The club donated a states quarters map to the Hospital's Family Health Center and the nurses searched their change for a couple of months until they collected all 50 states quarters. The program was widely publicized in their hospital newsletter, in which the photo below appeared.



Photo (left to right): Dennis Berube, president of the Ocean County Coin Club, Kathleen Martin, nurse manager, and Jim Majoros, past club president and ANA club rep.

The New Jersey Exonumia Society has now expanded to the "Northeast Token & Medal Society." Peter Wacker, president of the society, has announced they are looking for an editor for their newsletter, *The NorEaster*, as current editor Gary Patterson had to step down due to health reasons. Interested individuals can contact Peter, powacker@rci.rutgers.edu.

New Jersey Numismatic Society (NJNS) member David Ginsburg received the 2010 Nettleship Award for his dedicated service of many years. The NJNS goes back to 1933 and Charles Nettleship was the club's founder. Former ANA Governor Michael S. Fey made the presentation, which was a bronze medal portraying a likeness of a New Jersey colonial copper coin on its obverse and his name on the reverse bordered by a wreath of leaves.

South Carolina**Myrtle Beach Coin Club by Ernie Turnes, Pres.**

Ernie reports that the MBCC has a new mailing address. It is: Myrtle Beach Coin Club, P.O. Box 51372, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

Stephen James CSRA Coin Club (Aiken, SC) by Jim Barry

At the March 3, 2011 regular meeting new officers were elected for our fiscal year of April 2011 to March 2012. Incumbents President, Steve Kuhl; Secretary, Jim Mullaney; Treasurer, Sharon Smoot and Sergeant-at-

Arms, Glenn Sanders were re-elected. Joining them as Vice President is newly elected Patricia James.

In February, member Jim Barry taught a four-week course entitled "The History and Coinage of Ancient Greece." The course was offered by the University of South Carolina Aiken's Life Long Learning Program and is the third course taught by Jim in the program. Previous courses taught by him were: "A History of Numismatics" and "The History and Coinage of Ancient Rome." Jim is a life member of the ANA, Past President of the South Carolina Numismatic Association and Past Vice President and current Club Rep. of this club.

The last few months' programs presented at our regular meetings were: "Odds & Ends, the Non-State Quarters of 2009" by Todd Starbuck, "Small Size Mexican Banknotes" by Arno Safran, a DVD on Hobo Nickel Carvers and "Collecting the Coins of Charles Barber."



Each month several members present interesting "show and tells." *Photo: members who presented "show and tells" in February: Rick Owen, junior member Austin Kuhl, Chuck Braun and Jim Barry.*

The regular meetings are held at the Aiken County Library, Chesterfield Street in Aiken on the first Thursday of the month from 6:45-8:45 p.m.

The club's next coin show will be held Saturday, September 10 at the Odell Weeks Activity Center in Aiken. For information, visit the club's website at: www.sjcsracc.org or www.aikencoинclub.org.

Washington and Oregon

Reported by ANA Governor Walt Ostromecki

A large crowd was on hand for the opening on Friday, April 8 of the 62nd Annual Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association (PNNA) spring convention held April 8-10 at the Tukwila Community Center just outside the city of Seattle, WA for the 11th consecutive year. Billed as the largest coin show in the Northwest, the sold out 90+ table bourse was extremely active from the Friday noon opening until the 4 p.m. close on Sunday.

Bourse Chair, Scott Loos, commented: "We had an opening day record attendance of over 400 between noon and 7 p.m. Both collectors and the public were definitely in hyper-drive buying mode, not just for anything silver, but collector medium grade type coins, tokens, medals, and paper money as well. It's hard to imagine that circulated silver dimes were trading at around 26 times face!" Silver bullion hit a market high of \$41.26 on Friday.

Show general chairman, Mike Labosier, commented, "the PNNA is the largest collector show in the Pacific Northwest ... and is committed to serving the diverse needs of the hobbyist as well as the all important educational outreach needs of the region. It offers a wide array of free numismatic-learning activities during shows such as: award competitive and interesting top notch collector and club exhibits; a free fun kid's learning zone and a twelve stop treasure hunt program expertly conducted by ANA Governor Walt Ostromecki; a Boy and Girl Scout coin collecting clinic under the leadership of Assistant Scoutmaster, James Reinders; free public coin collecting basics program for new and non-collectors (adapted from the ANA's) masterfully taught by PNNA Immediate Past President and long time numismatist, Larry Gaye."

A wide variety of outstanding Numismatic Theater presentations, under the direction of Gawain O'Conner, took place on Saturday with the keynote forum 'Before 54'40: Numismatics of the Early Northwest' given by that renown, well known and enlightening professional numismatic scholar, John Kraljevich. His well-attended program was followed by three other outstanding ones: 'The Process Involved in Authoring Numismatic Books' by Rasiel Suarez; 'Buying and Selling on eBay' with Eric Holcomb; and lastly 'Numismatic Photography,' conducted by Chip Van Gilder. Later that afternoon two coin collector clubs held meetings: The Silver Art Bar Collector's Club, featuring a talk by Nancy Yee, President, and Buell Ish, of The Colonial Coin Collector's Club speaking on Massachusetts Silver.

At the PNNA General Membership Meeting, President Lisa Loos thanked the King County Coin Club, the Olympia Coin Club and the Boeing Employees Coin Club for all their time, efforts and donations to the 62nd Convention as 'co-hosts.' Lisa Loos was then joined by VP and Awards Chairman, Danny Bisgaard. Kicking off the awards was the recognition of Rick Schulz with a PNNA Presidential Award for his ongoing service as coordinator of the yearly numismatic outreach efforts at the annual Puyallup Fair and organizing and heading the PNNA Club Representative Program. ANA Governor and PNNA member, Walt Ostromecki, who has run the Association's annual show youth educational activities since 1998 was recognized

for his dedicated service with the Nina Nystrom Memorial Goodwill Ambassador Award. The PNNA's highest and most prestigious honor, the Bob Everett Memorial Award, went to PNNA Secretary and 2011 Tukwila Convention Chairman, Mike Labosier.

For information about the PNNA's annual conventions, see www.pnna.org.



Photo: Mike Labosier (left), PNNA treasurer and Tukwila convention general chairman, receives the Bob Everett Memorial Award from award committee chairman Danny Bisgaard (right).

Wisconsin

South Shore Coin Club by John and Nancy Wilson,
ANA National Volunteers

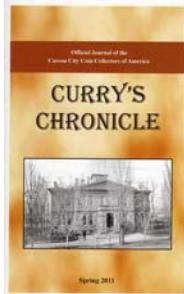
Thank you SSCC for ANA table.

On April 7–9, 2011 the South Shore Coin Club (SSCC) hosted their 47th coin show at the Wyndham Hotel at the Milwaukee airport. The show featured 60 dealer tables, educational competitive exhibits and a Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic. The scout clinic was held on Saturday and hosted by the SSCC and Milwaukee Numismatic Society (MNS). Many coin clubs utilize the standard that has been set by the MNS. The show was very successful and some dealers said it was the best one they had in a long time.

We want to thank the SSCC for providing the ANA with a free table for the convention. We were able to sign up 15 new members and promote the coin collecting hobby. Thanks also to Russ Konig, of Greater Milwaukee Coin & Jewelry for donating \$25 to the ANA, which helped to pay for the coin collecting kit that was sent for the show. We look forward to next year's SSCC show which will be held at this same location on March 29–31, 2012.

Specialty Clubs

Carson City Coin Collectors of America



Spring 2011 *Curry's Chronicle* targets Carson City coin collectors – The Carson City Coin Collectors of America released its spring 2011 issue of its award-winning journal, *Curry's Chronicle*. In it, president Rusty Goe calls his club "CC" Coin Central. "Our journal consistently offers more information about Carson City coins and related themes than can be found anywhere," wrote Goe.

In the spring issue of *Curry's Chronicle*, nine writers, three of them first-time contributors, submitted articles covering a variety of topics. Newbie David Reimer presented a thorough coverage of 1875-CC and 1876-CC Trade dollars. Bruce Spence, another first-timer, shared his discoveries in reed counts and Breen varieties on 1876-CC quarters. Mary Elise Arnold-Giambrone became the club's second female writer (Maya Roberts, the first one) with her article that asked the question "What's So Great about Collecting Carson City Coins?"



Weimar W. White, whose articles have appeared in all of the CCCOA's first 22 journals, wrote about 1881-CC Morgan silver dollars in Mint State Proof-like condition. Mitchell Yee, the club's resident authority on GSA Carson City dollars, provided sound tips on what to look for when buying unopened boxes of GSA-sale silver dollars. John Kroon described how he uses gifts, reference books, and field trips to coin shops and coin shows to cultivate an interest in coin collecting in his grandkids. Michael Parrott's article directs readers to the C4OA's website (www.carsoncitycoinclub.com) where, as he explains, participants on the discussion board are 72 coins into a 111-coin project that offers a profile of every date-denomination combination released by the Carson City Mint. In Tom DeFina's article that introduces his popular word search puzzle, he gives a glimpse into the once-thriving Comstock mining camp in Gold Hill, Nevada. Rusty Goe caps off the spring 2011 issue with his 21-page article on the seven denominations dated 1872-CC from the Battle Born collection, the finest complete set of Carson City coins ever assembled.

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All members of the Carson City Coin Collectors of America, a club launched in 2005, receive an annual three-issue subscription to Curry's Chronicle. Dues are \$30 a year. For more information about the club, please visit its website at www.carsoncitycoinclub.com, call (775) 322-4455, or email info@ccccoa.com. The mailing address is P.O. Box 18040, Reno, NV 89511.

Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club



The Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc. (CC>CC) is pleased to announce its keynote/banquet speaker for the club's 19th Annual Convention. Mr. Jeffrey Silver (pictured at left) has a long and distinguished career in Nevada. He will speak on Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at the SouthPoint Hotel, Spa and Casino (Las Vegas) at approximately 5:30 p.m. For more information, contact Sheldon Smith, e-mail sheldon655@hotmail.com.

In addition, famous Las Vegas showgirl Lisa Medford will also speak at the 19th annual convention!



Lisa Medford

Ms. Medford (pictured at left), along with co-author Ms. Jeanne Gulbranson, has written a great story about Lisa's extraordinary life! Lisa and Jeanne will speak at a seminar on Thursday, June 23, 2011 at the CC>CC's 19th Annual Convention in Las Vegas.

Lisa Medford has had a varied career. As an actress and a member of the Screen Actor's Guild, Lisa had a contract with Warner Brothers and appeared in "Nevada Smith" with Steve McQueen. In addition to acting, Lisa established a film production and distribution company, specializing in television documentaries, industrial training films and public service radio ads. Her projects filmed not only domestically but also internationally, in China, Korea and Taiwan. Her client base included the Department of Defense, the National Rifle Association, UPS and television stars and other celebrities such as Lee Majors, Kareem Abdul Jabar and Bob Hope. Lisa earned an Emmy nomination as TV producer for an ABC documentary, "All Things Being Equal" and is a current member of the Director Guild of America.

In addition to acting and directing, Lisa was also a freelance photojournalist with feature articles in *Variety* and the *Hollywood Reporter* trade magazine. She has the dubious distinction of being shot by the Russians while a reporter and film technology instructor in Prague, Czechoslovakia in 1968.

But, of all the activities and acclaim that Lisa has earned in her multi-faceted career, she is probably best known for being Las Vegas' first nude showgirl.

Lisa began her career in "old" Vegas and she serves as an unofficial historian of the city's casinos – some long gone, but definitely not forgotten; some still operating but unaware of their proud history. Lisa Medford knows Vegas and the characters who have added to its character!

This year's CC>CC convention is scheduled for June 22-25, 2011, Wednesday through Saturday. The showroom floor is open to the public starting on Thursday, June 23rd, and admission on Thursday and Friday is \$10.00. The address of the SouthPoint Hotel, Spa and Casino is 9777 Las Vegas Blvd South, Las Vegas, NV 89183. Further information is available at www.ccgta.com.

Editor's Coin Show Note

{Repeated from the previous *MintMark*.}

Editor's Note: ANA member clubs that conduct shows should seriously consider promoting the ANA and the hobby along with running the show. Contact the ANA for more information about how to request a "show kit." Also keep in mind that the event calendar in *The Numismatist* is the primary means that the ANA helps publicize your club's show. Only very limited show announcements can appear in *MintMark*, as this publication is not a show calendar, and the audience for *MintMark* (mostly club officers and club reps) are people who should already be familiar with coin shows in their geographic area.

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Editor's Message by Eric Holcomb

Hard to believe ... the Sacramento show is already over a month behind us as the year rolls on! I won't be in Chicago this year, but I know many of you will be there, so have a great time!

Thank you very much again for your reports and club information, and I hope everyone can glean some ideas for future club activities.

The 3rd Quarter 2011 edition of *MintMark* is not far off, so start planning and writing your submissions now! Remember, I'm looking for a short summary of how your club is participating in the ANA Club Rep Program, perhaps with one photo.

If you have a coin show or event to list in the ANA's printed and online calendars, please e-mail magazine@money.org well ahead of time.